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Honorable Richard T. Schulze House of Representatives 2369 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-3805 MAY 0 7 1992

SITE ASSESSMENT SECTION

Dear Mr. Schulze

This refers to the Valley Forge General Hospital, Phoenixville, Chester County, Pennsylvania, project and the project's Public Involvement Response Plan (PIRP) recommending a proactive community coordination effort.

Enclosed is a project update for your information. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Glenn Earhart at (410) 962-2342 or Ms. Lucy Lather, Chief, Public Affairs Office at (410) 962-2809.

Sincerely,

Signed

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PROJECT UDPATE

- 1. INSTALLATION NAME: Valley Forge General Hospital (VFGH) Formerly Used Defense Site (FUDS), Phoenixville, Chester County, PA. SITE IDENTIFICATION: Site No. C03PA044100 Project No. C03PA044102, the property of the formerly used Valley Forge General Hospital. PROJECT PHASE: Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to identify the type and extent of contamination and recommended remedial action.
- 2. DISTRICT/INDIVIDUAL PROJECT MANAGER: Glenn Earhart, CENAB-PD-P, 410-962-2342, Baltimore District.
- 3. SITE DESCRIPTION: The VFGH consists of more than 180 acres. The Surgeon General's Office and the U.S. Army Health Services Command operated the hospital from 1942-1973. When the hospital was closed, the property was excessed to Phoenixville School District, Valley Forge Christian College, Charlestown Township and Community Health Services. The VFGH operated an incinerator to dispose of the hospital wastes and deposited the waste ash in trenches adjacent to the incinerator. The site has not been placed on EPA's National Priority List (NPL).
- 4. SITE HISTORY: The hospital incinerator operated from 1942-1973.
- 5. MAJOR CONTAMINATION: Dioxin
- MODE OF CLEAN-UP: To be determined.
- 7. CURRENT STATUS: The Baltimore District will be removing underground and above ground storage tanks, drums, transformers and capacitors. Design for removal actions was scheduled for Mar 92 and removal scheduled to begin Jul 92.

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EPA completed a Preliminary Assessment in 1988 and Omaha District completed a Site Investigation Report in May 91. The RI/FS was awarded on 19 Sep 91 for \$1,670,349.

8. ISSUES AND CONCERNS: Field activities were started on 27 jan 92. Geophysical surveying was completed the week of 7 Feb 92. The well drilling activities began the week of 16 Mar 92 and have been completed. Surface soil and water samples are currently being collected and analyzed. Field sampling is scheduled to be completed in Jun 92. The chemical analysis and quality control and assurance of the data is scheduled to be completed by Aug 92. The draft RI is scheduled for Dec 92.

9. SCHEDULES:

MILESTONES	ORIGINAL	CURRENT	ACTUAL
Project Assigned to CENAB	03/28/91	03/28/91	03/28/91
Receipt of Funds	04/30/91	04/30/91	04/30/91
Award Work Plan	05/21/91	05/23/91	05/23/91
Prepare Scope for RI/FS	05/31/91	05/31/91	05/31/91
RI/FS Awarded	07/05/91	09/13/91	09/19/91
PIRP Completed	07/05/91	07/19/91	07/19/91
Final Project Mgmt Plan	07/10/91	07/12/91	07/12/91
Approve RI Workplans	12/05/91	01/13/91	01/20/92
Obtain Real Estate	12/05/92	05/08/92	
RI Completed	03/05/93	03/05/93	
ROD Awarded	05/28/93	05/28/93	
RS Completed	07/05/93	07/05/93	
ROD Completed	12/03/94	12/03/93	
CENAD Approves ROD	01/08/94	01/08/94	
CEMP Approves ROD	02/08/94	02/08/94	

10. FUNDS DATA:

	PRIOR FY	CURRENT FY	TOTAL
Funds Received	\$1,925,349	\$146,636	\$2,071,985
Funds Breakdown Contract In-house	\$1,819,951 \$ 105,398	0 \$146,636	\$1,819,951 \$ 252,034
Additional Funds Requested this FY	/ P	\$ 37,964	\$ 37,964

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